

Appl. No. 09/837,004

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In re U.S. divisional application of:

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SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (37 CFR 1.121)
dated June 30, 2004, please enter the following as addendum to the response filed
December 4, 2003:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which
begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.

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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a Response to Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (37 CFR 1.121) in the above-identified application.

- ☐ Small entity status has been claimed. See 37 CFR § 1.27.
☒ No additional fee is required.

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

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|---|---|---|---|-------------------------------|--|------------------|
| TOTAL CLAIMS FEE | 8 | - | 8 ** | 0 | LG=\$18 SM=\$9 | \$ [FEE] \$ 0 |
| INDEPENDENT CLAIMS FEE | 1 | - | 1 *** | 0 | LG=\$86 SM=\$43 | \$ [FEE] \$ 0 |
| FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS | | | | | LARGE ENTITY FEE = \$290 SMALL ENTITY FEE = \$145 | \$ [FEE] |
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- ☐ A check in the amount of \$ 0 to cover the additional claims fee is enclosed. **A copy of this sheet is enclosed.**
- ☐ A check in the amount of \$ 0 to cover the extension fee is enclosed. **A copy of this sheet is enclosed.**
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies of fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1314. **A copy of this sheet is enclosed.**
- ☒ Any filing fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 for the presentation of extra claims
- ☒ Any patent application processing fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17

Respectfully submitted,
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